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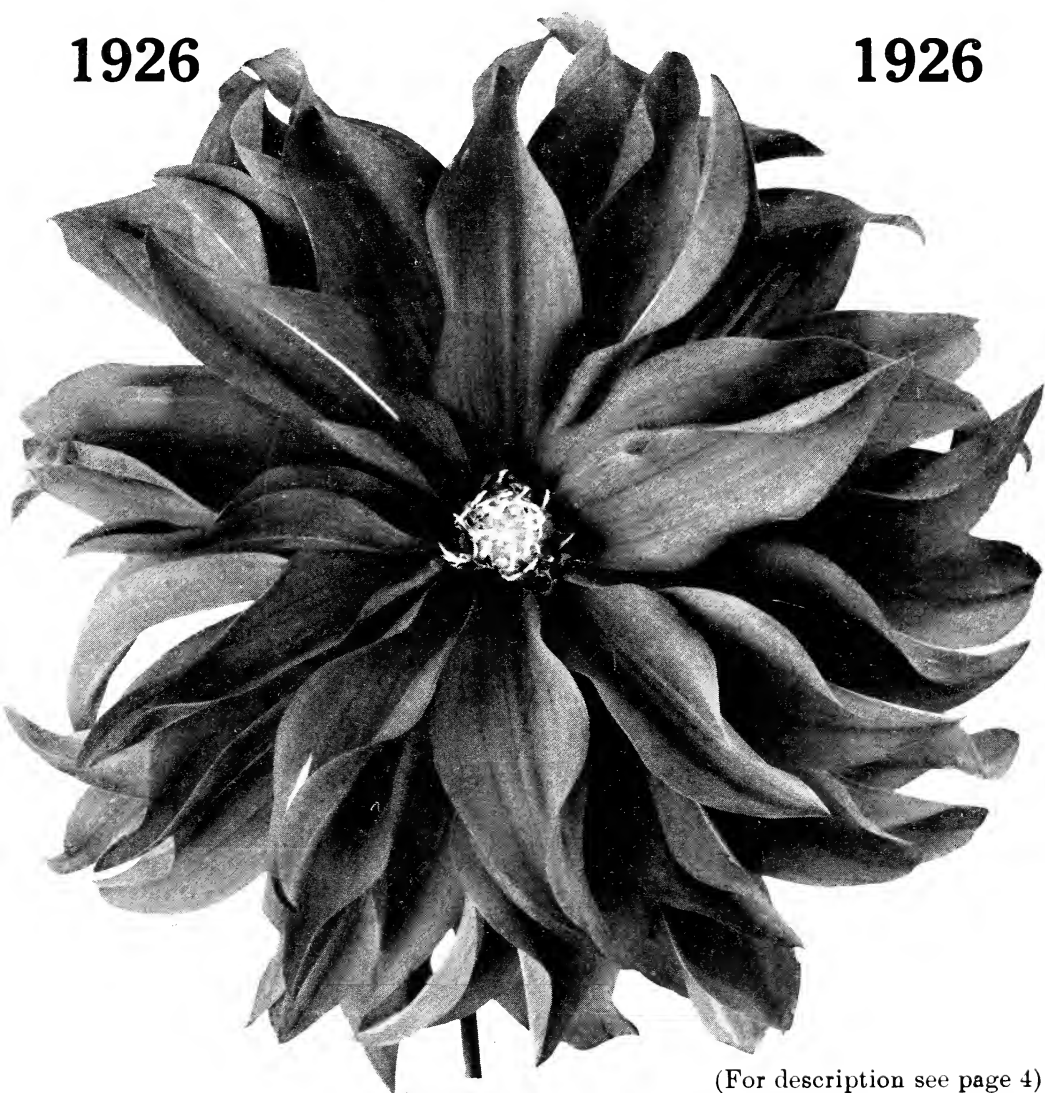
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# W.W. Wilmore **DAHLIA** Specialist

1926

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**KIWANIAN**

(For description see page 4)

*Gardens Located at West 38th and Wadsworth Avenues  
Crown Hill Car three-quarters of a mile south of gardens*

**P. O. Box 382**

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**Denver, Colorado**

### TO MY THOUSANDS OF PATRONS, GREETING:

With the dawn of the year 1926, I pass my fortieth year as a commercial grower of Dahlias, and five earlier years were passed as an amateur grower. So far as known I am by far the oldest specialist in Dahlia culture in this country; and issued the first exclusive Dahlia catalogue in the United States. These many years of practical experience among the Dahlias place me in position to pass intelligently upon the Dahlia, its habits, needs and qualities.

**PRICES:** I do not claim that my prices are the lowest; nor have I coveted the reputation of running a "cheap place." Nevertheless, my prices will be found quite reasonable and even lower than others. **REMEMBER, ALSO, THAT I SEND OUT STRONG TUBERS, NOT WEAKLY GREEN PLANTS.** Special attention of patrons is called to the list of Hardy Herbaceous Plants. They thrive almost anywhere that a weed would grow, requiring only reasonable care to get them well established.



## How to Order Dahlias

It would be well for each purchaser, when making out an order, to name several varieties as a second choice, for the reason that some of the varieties wanted may be out of stock when the order reaches me; or if not familiar with varieties, I will gladly make selections for you if you will mention the colors and forms wanted. Long experience places each variety before me as an open book.

### TERMS OF BUSINESS

**First**—The cash must accompany the order.

**Second**—Remittances may be sent in any way most convenient to the purchaser.

**Third**—Prices quoted include postage or express charges to all railway points in the United States, when purchased at retail, except where noted.

**Fourth**—Non-Warranty: I guarantee the safe arrival of goods by mail

or express and will continue to use the same careful, painstaking methods in filling orders with stock of known vitality and of superior merit, but will not be responsible for future results or failures. Errors should be reported at once.

Shipping season opens February 20th, closes June 1st. **Please do not send fall orders. We cannot deliver in the fall except it be late fall.**

See Page 10 for Discounts

## "THE DAHLIA MANUAL"

(Revised Edition)

By W. W. WILMORE

This work should be in the hands of every Dahlia grower, whether amateur or professional. It is a handsomely illustrated manual, written as a souvenir edition.

Failure in growing Dahlias, nine times out of ten, is directly traceable to improper treatment or troubles that could easily be removed if their causes were known and understood. It was largely with this aim in view that I prepared this manual. The price is a mere trifle, and no grower should run the risk of failure when reliable knowledge is within easy reach of all.

The work covers briefly the practical questions of Dahlia culture, methods of propagation, winter storage, etc. This work will be sent postpaid for 25 cents, or, if requested, it will be sent with all orders amounting to \$2.50.

## "Say It With Flowers"

The national slogan of the Florists' Association appeals to not only the human heart, but the reason as well.

Flowers are the pure gold of the human language, requiring neither scholarship or great intelligence in the interpretation.

From the earliest history of the race they have had a place reserved in the human heart, speaking its best emotions. No more enduring or appropriate expression of friendship could possibly be made than a present of a shrub, plant, or collection of choice dahlias or gladioli, reminding one daily of a friendship, affection, or association of a pleasant past or present.

Many of the items or made up collections among these pages are just suited to this purpose and may be sent at moderate cost. Pages 16-17.

# DAHLIAS--1926

Those marked (W) are Wilmore Originations



## W. W. Wilmore (Davis 1924)

A dahlia of distinctive form and color introduced by R. T. Davis, Jr., in 1924. Among the many good originations of Mr. Davis, he considers this among his best. I am pleased to acknowledge the compliment of the name and give this wonderful dahlia full indorsement on all the claims he makes for it. His description follows: "No description could possibly be given on paper that would fully visualize this grand new dahlia. While it has the finest of artistic coloring, yet the blending is so unique as to baffle description. In an attempt we may say, a light flame shaded to amber at the petal base. Yet each petal curves at the tip, showing a glint of opal shading. A varitable sunburst and electric fountain combined. Flowers are large and carried on fine stems. Plant a thrifty grower of spreading habit. Stock still quite limited. Strong tubers, \$5.00 each. Height 5 feet.

## **The Kiwanian 1926 (W)**

(See Illustration, Page 1)

A sensational new Dahlia of the Peony type. Among its numerous excellent qualities is its distinctive long, wiry stems, ranging from 18 to 24 inches, yet holding the flower in perfect poise. The plant is a strong, vigorous grower, with numerous side branches. Flowers are large and perfect in form, measuring 8-9 inches normally. Disbudded it will reach 11-12 inches. Among the very best of the Peony type. Color, rich American Beauty red, shading to purple red. This Dahlia was honored in name by the Kiwanians of Golden, Colo., at a banquet held August 25, 1925. This honor in itself is an all-sufficient indorsement of its excellent qualities. Stock limited. Strong tubers, \$5.00. Height 5 feet.

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## **William Hayden 1925 (W)**

Highly recommended to those seeking a dahlia of distinction. It is of the hybrid cactus form, flowers exceptionally large, and shaggy in appearance, reaching a diameter of 8 to 9 inches without disbudding. Stems are very long and wiry. The plant is all that the critic could ask in its strong, healthy growth, with numerous side branches. Produces an excellent crop of fine roots. This year we have a fine supply of roots and offer them at a much reduced price. Last year it sold at \$10.00. This year, strong roots, \$3.00. Height 4 feet. (See color insert.)

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## Dahlias That Made Denver Famous



### Alpine Wonder 1924 (W)

The illustration is of course much reduced in size. The immense flowers measure from 7 to 8 inches, and by dis-budding would reach a much larger size. It produces its handsome flowers of snowy whiteness in groups of three on stout stems of good length, presenting the face of the flower to view. The plant is a strong, healthy grower, producing numerous large tubers. An early and constant bloomer throughout the season, worthy a front rank place in any collection. In type a Hybrid Cactus. \$1.00 each.

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### **Doris Wilmore 1925 (W)**

This new Peony Dahlia was the admiration of the Colorado Dahlia Show of 1924. It is exceptionally fine in form, color, length of stem, and keeping qualities. Its color is a rich apricot bronze without shading or variation. Flowers range from 6 to 7 inches, with broad petals, more or less irregular in formation. If disbudded it will easily reach a diameter of 9 inches. Stems are very long and wiry, holding the flower erect. As a cut flower it has proven its excellent keeping qualities. The plant is vigorous and erect in growth, producing large, well formed tubers. Highly recommended. Height 5 feet. Strong tubers, \$3.00 each.

## Dahlias That Made Denver Famous



### Andy Gump 1924 (W)

While this name may suggest the humorous, yet the reality has nothing of humor connected with it, other than the extremely long stem which suggested the name. Of the many valuable varieties I have originated, and that are holding places of popular favor throughout the dahlia world, I look upon Andy Gump as one of my very best productions. The flower is a perfect decorative form above medium in size and keeps well as a cut flower. The stems are extremely long, from 18 to 36 inches. A vase of this variety easily took first prize at our 1923 show for the best vase of any one variety. In the vase of 25 blooms there was no stem less than 28 inches. Stems rigid and erect; color bright red. The plant grows to a height of 5 feet with numerous side branches, vigorous and healthy, producing a mass of excellent roots. As compared with other new varieties, it should perhaps be listed at a much higher price.

Having a good stock I list it at a popular price, \$1.00 each. Give it a rich soil.

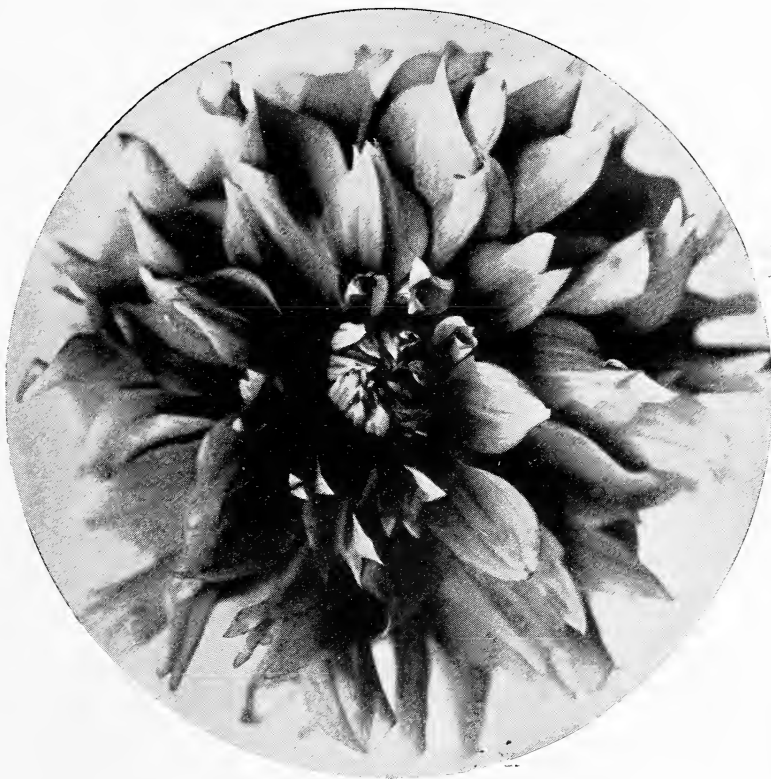
## Dahlias That Made Denver Famous



### Brides' Bouquet 1922 (W)

The long-looked-for ideal white Cactus Dahlia. The illustration is convincing in itself. Of white cactus varieties there are many, and with them many defects. Brides' Bouquet combines their virtues, with weaknesses eliminated. Is this an extravagant claim? But wait. Brides' Bouquet is an early and profuse bloomer, purest white in color, flowers medium to large in size and of perfect form. Stems range in length from 12 to 20 inches, straight and erect, with the flower set at right angles from the stem. As a keeper when cut it has few equals, lasting for days. The plant is vigorous and well branched, attaining a height of 3 to 4 feet, and withal a splendid root-maker, valuable alike for home or florist's use. What more could be asked? Strong tubers, 50c each.

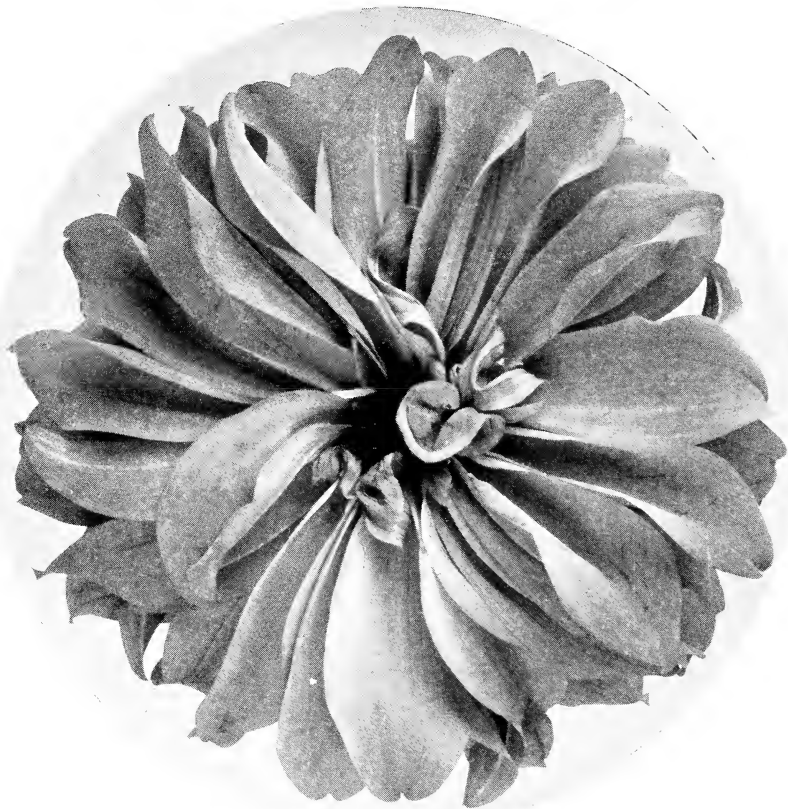
## Varieties Marked (W) Are Wilmore Originations



### **J. D. Long 1923 (W)**

A thrifty robust plant, growing to a height of six feet and producing fine large blooms of great substance, holding well through the hottest weather. Flowers are always full and well formed. Stems are long and rigid, holding the flower erect. Color, a blending of autumn tints of salmon pink, amber and bronze. In type it is perhaps nearest to the Decorative, yet really it is a type of its own. Strong tubers, \$1.00 each.

## Dahlias That Made Denver Famous



### Kiowa 1924 (W)

A very free flowering new variety.

A sturdy, erect grower, producing its wealth of flowers on good stems.

Rich terra cotta, shading to orange scarlet. A beautiful combination with autumn foliage; \$1.00 each; height 4 feet.

#### LIBERAL DISCOUNTS

Orders amounting to \$10.00, add stock to the value of 10% of the order.

Orders amounting to \$20.00, add stock to the value of 15% of the order.

Orders amounting to \$25.00 or over, add stock to the value of 20% of the order.

No further discounts allowed on sets or made-up collections where a discount is already figured off or where special dozen rates are given.

Suitable "Extra" will be given on orders between \$2.00 and \$10.00.

## Dahlias That Made Denver Famous

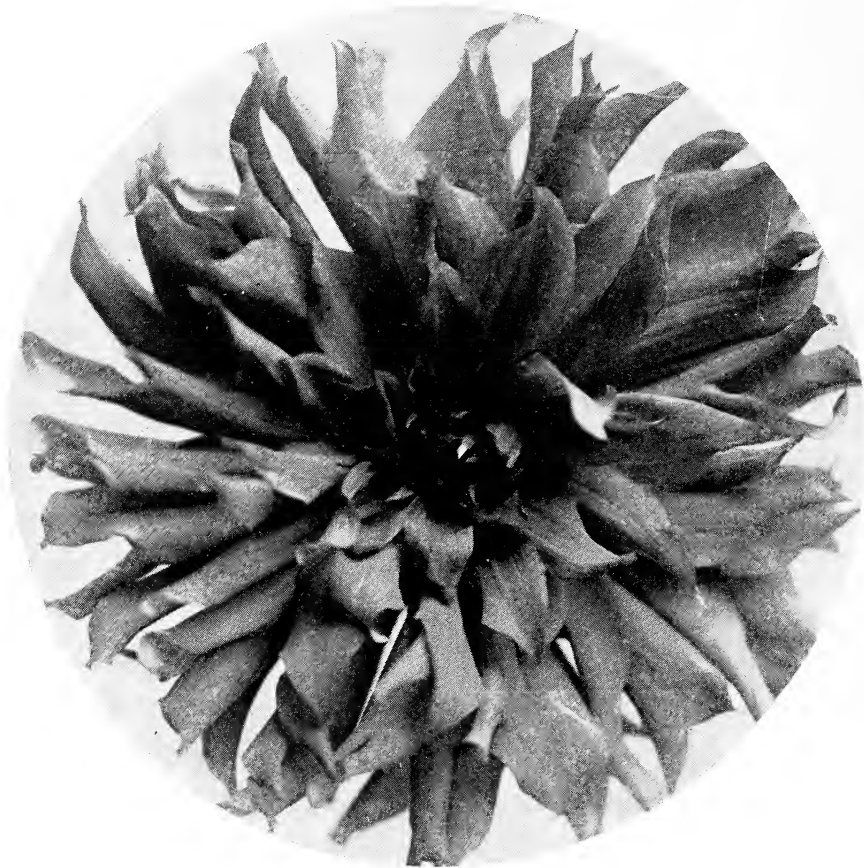


### Lucy Davis (1923)

This variety was originated by R. T. Davis and has proven a sensation. In introducing it publicly I did so believing that it meets practically all the requirements of a modern dahlia. The flowers are large, yet giving no impression of coarseness so often met in some of the late large dahlias. The form is that of the perfect decorative type. Stems are long—often 18 inches, yet strong and wiry. The plant is a strong, robust grower and a prolific root maker. Color, rich golden apricot, clear and without shading. A color pleasing in both day or evening light. A dahlia well worthy of the honor roll. Having a good stock the price is made very reasonable. Strong tubers \$1.00 each; height 5 feet.

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## Dahlias That Made Denver Famous



### Pahaska 1922 (W)

This decorative Dahlia is of immense size, measuring from seven to nine and a half inches in diameter without disbudding. Disbudded it should easily reach twelve inches. Plant is healthy, but of slender branching growth. Petals are very long and curved, giving the flower its shaggy appearance (the Indian name for Buffalo Bill meaning Long Hair). Color, between an apricot and fawn with a distinct pink shading. Strong tubers, \$2.00 each. Height four feet.

**Note:** This variety should have the tip pinched off when 6 inches high and severe thinning of the buds later on. It blooms too freely to do its best for size. Wonderful specimens may be had by disbudding.

## Dahlias That Made Denver Famous



### **Souvenir St. Mihiel 1922 (W)**

A grand new show Dahlia. A seedling of the Grand Duke Alexis, which it resembles in petal formation. A rank grower with dark green foliage. Flowers large and of good texture. Stems medium to long and quite erect in growth. Color, darkest crimson red without shading or variation. Unique in both form and color; 5 feet. Strong tubers, \$1.00 each.

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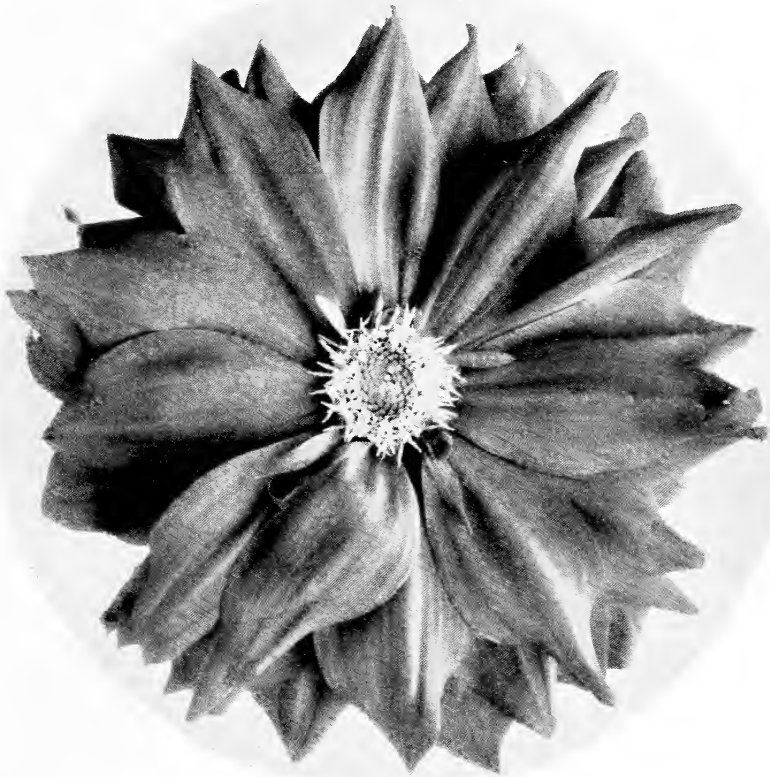


### **The Shepherdess 1924 (W)**

Flower medium to large. Stems of good length, holding the flower in perfect poise. An early and very free bloomer. Color, rich Oriental red, petals broad and slightly twisted at the tip, giving off a glint of American Beauty red on the reverse of the petal. One of the finest of the peony type; height 5 feet; \$1.00 each.

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## Dahlias That Made Denver Famous



### Whip O' Will 1924 (W)

An immense Peony Dahlia with flowers from 7 to 9 inches in diameter without disbudding. Petals are very broad and flat in formation. Color, vivid scarlet. By far the best of its color among the peony types. Stems wiry and erect. Blooms freely throughout the season; height 5 feet; \$1.00 each.

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### Bargain Collections

These collections are arranged for the convenience of the purchaser, especially those unfamiliar with varieties and those wanting a limited collection of choice varieties distinct in colors. Full descriptions will be found of each variety in the body of the Catalog. As a liberal discount is already figured off,

**These collections are not subject to any further discount.**

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### Rainbow Collection

As the name suggests, this collection embraces a wide range of color and includes several of the most popular types. All the varieties in this group are Wilmore originations with the exception of W. W. Wilmore, which is one of the prettiest of all dahlias. This is the finest and richest collection we have ever offered.

The set of 12, post paid, for \$20.00. (Catalog value \$28.50.)

Alpine Wonder .....	Page 5	Kiwanian .....	Page 4
Andy Gump .....	Page 7	Nonpariel .....	Page 22
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Happy Dream .....	Page 18	Whip O' Will.....	Page 15
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### Queens Jewels Collection

Like the above collection, this has a fine range of color. Many are of quite recent introduction. A fine collection at a modest outlay.

The 12, post paid, for \$12.00. (Catalog value, \$15.00.)

Amun Ra .....	Page 20	Mrs. I de ver Warner .....	Page 22
Earl Williams .....	Page 20	Mrs. W. E. Estes.....	Page 21
Georgia Bond .....	Page 21	Rosa Nell .....	Page 22
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## TWO SUPERB DAHLIAS



W. W. WILMORE

ORIGINATED BY R. T. DAVIS, JR.  
*Introduced in 1924*



WILLIAM HAYDEN

ORIGINATED BY W. W. WILMORE  
*Introduced in 1925*

BOTH ILLUSTRATIONS REDUCED APPROXIMATELY ONE-HALF IN SIZE

*For description, see catalog*

**W. W. WILMORE, Dahlia Specialist**  
DENVER, COLORADO

PLATES BY THE COCKS-CLARK ENGRAVING CO.



## The Radium Collection

A collection of high-class dahlias at a modest price. This collection (varied from former years) is recommended to those having but limited space. No two even border the same color. The set of 12, post paid, for \$6.00. Value \$8.50.

Bride's Bouquet .....	Page 8	Jessie Seal .....	Page 18
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Chicota .....	Page 18	Mrs. Carl Salbach...	Page 22
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Isa .....	Page 18	Sonora .....	Page 19

## 12 Choice Peony Flowered Varieties

(See List of Peony Dahlias)

Set of 12, post paid, \$3.00. (Catalog value, \$4.00.)

Billionaire  
Coconina  
Dr. Henry Sewall  
Kia Ora  
Lluvia d'Oro  
Laura Barnes

La Jara  
Mme. Bystein  
Naiaid  
Queen Emma  
Van Dyke  
Queen Wilhelmina

## The Diamond Collection

This popular collection has been our leading collection for many years. A fine collection at a very modest price. It changes from year to year, but always has the same excellent quality and range of colors and forms.

The 12 for \$2.50, post paid. (Full value, \$4.00.)

Bon Ton  
Cornucopia  
Dr. Perkins  
Flemingo  
Golden West  
Golden Spray

Montezuma  
Mrs. H. J. Jones  
Pride of California  
Purple Manitou  
Sweetheart's Bouquet  
Sylvia

## Collection No. 2

Thirteen Choice Dahlias for \$1.50

This collection is our selection—unlabeled. No two alike. Postpaid. In ordering say "COLLECTION NO. 2."

## Peony Flowered Dahlias

Figures to the right indicate height. Nearly all are fine for cutting. Strong tubers.

- |  | Ft. High.<br>Approximate. | Ft. High.<br>Approximate. |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>A. L. DOUD (W).</b> Very large, from 6 to 9 inches across. Stems very long and erect. Clear lemon yellow, without shading. Early and free bloomer. 50c each.....  | 4                         |                           |
| <b>ARVADA (W).</b> A remarkably free bloomer, producing its large, well-formed flowers on good stems. A pleasing shade of old rose, shading to a fawn pink. 50c each.....  | 5                         |                           |
| <b>BILLIONAIRE.</b> (Peony.) Very large. Golden orange. An early and free bloomer. Stems long but pendant. 50c each .....  | 5                         |                           |
| <b>COCONINA (W).</b> Intense, vivid red produced on good stems. An early and free bloomer. 25c each.....   | 4                         |                           |
| <b>CHANCELLOR BUCHEL (W).</b> (1925) In type this variety would be difficult to classify. The petals are quilled as in the Grand Duke Alexis, yet the flower is open centered as in the Peony type. Stems are long and the flower very large. Color bright lemon yellow. Very attractive by reason of its great size and unique formation. \$1.00 each ..... | 3                         |                           |
| <b>CHICOTA (W).</b> An ideal golden yellow of large size and exceptionally long stems—often 18 inches in length. Flower perfect in form and clear in its rich golden yellow. Fine. 50c each .....  | 2                         |                           |
| <b>CHANCELLOR (W).</b> Very large petals curved and twisted in a most fantastic form. Flowers 8 to 9 inches. Color a rich coppery bronze. Reverse of petals shows oriental red. Stems long. \$1.00 each.....   | 5                         |                           |
| <b>DUKE HENRY.</b> Brilliant red. Large red petals. Very free bloomer. 25c each .....  | 4                         |                           |
| <b>DR. HENRY SEWALL (W).</b> A sturdy rank grower with long stems. Color unique. A blending of fawn pink with slight shading of amber. 25c each .....  | 4                         |                           |
| <b>EGERIA (W).</b> Flowers extra large, blooming in clusters of three on very long stems. Clear lavender pink. A lovely flower in both color and form. 50c each.....   | 4                         |                           |
| <b>FREDA NEWMAN (W).</b> Bright orange bronze, margined with old gold. Long stem, excellent for cutting. An extra fine novelty. 25 each.....   | 4                         |                           |
| <b>FRANCIS DANIELS (W).</b> A lovely dahlia with exceptionally long stems that hold the flower erect. Color a delicate shade of light pink. Has excellent keeping qualities. An ideal of the peony type. Should have rich soil, 50c each.....  | 5                         |                           |
| <b>FELECIA (W).</b> A vigorous grower producing flowers from six to eight inches in diameter on long, good stems. Color, apricot with light pink shading. Petals are broad and curved at the tip. 50c each.....  | 5                         |                           |
| <b>GEISHA.</b> The showiest and most attractive of this type yet introduced. Petals very long, curved and twisted. A rich combination of scarlet and gold, shaded to amber yellow. A queen among Dahlias. \$1.00 each..  | 4                         |                           |
| <b>GORGEOUS.</b> Immense flowers borne on long wiry stems, holding its size well throughout the season. Color golden yellow, shaded with scarlet. \$1.50 each .....  | 5                         |                           |
| <b>HAPPY DREAM (W).</b> (1925) Plant ideal in growth. Stems long and wiry, holding the flower to full view. Flowers large and of good substance. Color bright pink, shaded lavender pink. Fine in all points. \$1.00 each .....  | 5                         |                           |
| <b>IMMENSE.</b> A very large flower. White ground, heavily shaded to pink. stems long and erect. 25c each.....   | 3                         |                           |
| <b>ISA (W).</b> Light fawn pink, changing with age to amber yellow. A free and constant bloomer. Stems very long and wiry. Very attractive for evening decoration. A queenly flower. 50c each.....   | 5                         |                           |
| <b>JESSIE SEAL.</b> A unique color in the Dahlia family, clear old rose. A pleasing and popular shade. Flowers very large and of ideal peony form. Stems often 2 feet in length, yet strong and erect. No better general purpose Dahlia grown. \$1.00 each....   | 6                         |                           |
| <b>KENAWHA (W).</b> An immense flower with broad flat petals; stems very long and erect. Vermilion red, shaded to amber. 25c each.....   | 5                         |                           |
| <b>KIA ORA (W).</b> A fine peony form with long, graceful stems. Flowers large and good form. Color, rosy pink, shading to white. 25c each.....  | 4                         |                           |
| <b>LA JARA (W).</b> Pure lemon. Flower large and perfect in form, stems long. A very free bloomer. 25c each  | 4                         |                           |
| <b>LADY HARRIET GREY (W).</b> A lovely new Dahlia and also a new shade of cream pink. An excellent variety for either cutting or garden use. Stems very long and straight. Flowers, medium to large. Fine in all respects. 50c each.....   | 4                         |                           |
| <b>LLUVIA D'ORO (W).</b> Shower of Gold. Soft orange, red shaded, to golden yellow. A seedling of the popular Geisha, which it resembles in color. Flower extra large and fluffy. 50c each.....  | 4                         |                           |

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| <b>LAURA BARNES (W).</b> Beyond question one of the grandest peony Dahlias ever introduced. Only words of praise have come from those who grew the variety. The immense orange red flowers are pleasing to all. It is today one of the most popular Dahlias of recent introduction. 50c each.....  | 6                         |
| <b>LA GRAND LILAS.</b> A superb new variety. Flowers of immense size. Borne on stems often two feet in length. Color, rich amaranth red. A flower that attracts instant attention. 50c each.....   | 6                         |
| <b>LAURENCE RUPPEL (W).</b> A new peony flowered variety of surprising beauty. A large fluffy flower, produced on long stems. Petals broad and slightly incurved toward the center. Color, rich copper red, shaded apricot. A profuse and constant bloomer. Strong tubers. 50c each.....   | 4-5                       |
| <b>LADY OF HONOR (W).</b> Extra large flowers borne on very long stems, 18 to 20 inches. Color, apricot, shaded to fawn pink. An exceptionally fine peony dahlia. \$1.00 each.....   | 5                         |
| <b>MME. BYSTEIN.</b> Very beautiful, pure lilac lavender; large size and lovely form; erect, on splendid stems. One of the best. 50c.....  | 4                         |
| <b>MRS. J. H. GOVER (W).</b> A new and distinct shade in the peony type. Almost a perfect heliotrope color; bright and attractive. Flowers large and well formed. A high class dahlia in every respect. 50c each....   | 4                         |
| <b>NAIAD (W).</b> A beautiful flower resembling a water lily. Stems long and wiry. Color a tinted cream pink. Grand under artificial light. An excellent cutting variety. Highly recommended. 50c each.....  | 5                         |
| <b>OURAY (W).</b> Deep blood red. Flower very large and rather loosely constructed. Stems very long. 25c each.....   | 4                         |
| <b>OPALESCENT (W).</b> (1926) Flower medium to large in size, borne on excellent stems, holding the flower above the foliage. Color, varying tints of the opal shading to cream pink. A pleasing color and form. \$1.00 each.....  | 5                         |
| <b>PINK GODDESS.</b> A handsome rosy pink, shading lighter toward the center. The flowers are of extra large size, carried on strong wiry stems. A profuse bloomer and vigorous grower. A dahlia worthy to be in every exhibition collection. \$1.00 each.....   | 5                         |
| <b>QUEEN EMMA.</b> A magnificent sort that appears almost artificial. It is of a charming shade of Mallow or Hollyhock pink. 25c each.....   | 5                         |
| <b>QUEEN WILHELMINA.</b> Immense fluffy flower of pure white, with yellow center. 25c each.....  | 5                         |
| <b>RUTH NICHOLS (W).</b> An immense flower borne on long stem. Rich, dazzling red. A leader among the reds by reason of its great size and freedom of bloom. Strong and vigorous. 50c each.....  | 3                         |
| <b>SOUVENIR FRANZ LISZT.</b> Dark purple, maroon. Veined and shaded with white. Flowers very large and stems long. Very good. 25c each....   | 4                         |
| <b>SOUTH POLE.</b> Very large, of fluffy form. Pure snowy white. Extra fine. 50c each.....   | 5                         |
| <b>SWEETHEART'S BOQUET (W).</b> This variety is my sensational introduction of 1920, and stands 100% on all claims made for it. It is a perfect flower of the popular peony type. In color an unique shading of salmon rose, shaded with fawn; pleasing alike in both day and artificial light. Flowers are very large and stems extra long and wiry. One of the very earliest to bloom and continues throughout the season. 50c each..... | 5                         |
| <b>SONORA, 1920 (W).</b> A superb new shade of old gold. Flowers large and even in form; produced on long, erect stems. A fine new variety. 50c each.....  | 4                         |
| <b>THE SCREAMER.</b> Flowers very large, borne on long rigid stems. A unique coloring, quite distinct from any other dahlia. Color dark mulberry red shaded to violet purple. \$1.00 each.....   | 4                         |
| <b>TEMPTATION (W).</b> Delicate creamy pink, shaded to blush. Stems long. An excellent cutting variety. 25c each.....  | 5                         |
| <b>VILLAGE BELLE (W).</b> Very large. Color rich amber, heavily shaded with cherry. Long, erect stems. A fine variety. 25c each.....   | 5                         |
| <b>VAN DYKE.</b> Mammoth flower, salmon rose, tinted heliotrope. Petals twisted. The most popular of this type. 25c each.....  | 5                         |
| <b>WINONA (W).</b> An attractive flower. Petals broad and slightly twisted in form. Color, delicate lavender pink. A fine flower. 25c each.....  | 4                         |
| <b>WACONDA (W).</b> A tall rank grower, producing a wealth of finely formed flowers of long stems. Color, a most intense vivid red. An early and faithful bloomer. 50c each.....   | 6                         |

## Dahlias of Special Merit

### Various Types of Recent Introduction

Descriptions are brief, yet sufficient to convey a word picture of each variety.

Prices quoted are for strong tubers. Figures to the right indicate height.

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<b>AUGUSTA JOHNSON.</b> (Decorative.) A large fine flower on excellent stems. Color yellow buff shaded to salmon. A fine dahlia. \$1.00 each.....	5	<b>DR. TEVIS.</b> (Decorative.) Immense flower, 7 to 9 inches or over. A remarkably strong grower with ideal stems. Color, a combination of salmon, rose and bronze. A unique color. Not always reliable by reason of producing some semi-double flowers. 50c each.....	5
<b>AMUN RA.</b> Originated and introduced by Jessie Seal. This fact in itself is the highest guarantee. A mammoth decorative Dahlia borne on stout stems of good length. The flowers are gorgeous. In color a combination of copper, orange and golden bronze. Highly recommended. \$1.50 each.....	4	<b>EMMA SLOCUM.</b> Pure white flower on extra long stems. Flowers extra large. One of the showiest of the white decorative varieties. 50c ea.....	4
<b>ATTRACTION.</b> (Hybrid Cactus) Large, elegant flowers of a clear lilac rose; long, strong stems. It is an exhibition and garden sort of rare merit. 50c each.....	3	<b>EARL WILLIAMS.</b> (Decorative.) An exceptionally fine dahlia. Flowers very large and deep in formation. Brilliant scarlet, each petal tipped white. A very attractive variety. \$1.50 each.....	4
<b>ALADDIN (W).</b> (Decorative.) A huge shaggy flower often 8 inches in diameter. Petals long and fluffy. A sturdy rank grower. Color, mahogany red. 50c each.....	3	<b>ETHEL T. SMITH.</b> Mr. Broomall claims this as his largest introduction. It is certainly a monster in size and growth of plant. Color, creamy white with a slight lemon tint. In type it would be classed a hybrid cactus. \$1.00 each.....	6
<b>ANARCHIST.</b> (Decorative.) Flowers of immense size. Flowers freely on stems often 18 inches in length, strong and wiry, holding the flower erect. Color, intense red. Exceptionally fine. 50c each.....	5	<b>ELEANOR MARTIN.</b> (Decorative.) A large flower on a good stem that holds the flower above the foliage. A peculiar red known as mulberry red. Fine in all points. Highly recommended \$2.50 each.....	3
<b>BORDER KING.</b> (Cactus.) A very large flower with petals sharply pointed. Has fine long stems which hold the flower erect. Deep fiery red. A noble flower. \$1.00 each.....	3	<b>FRANCIS BURNS.</b> (Decorative.) Rich glowing pink on excellent stems. Fine for cutting. An early and free bloomer. 50c each.....	5
<b>BALLET GIRL.</b> (Cactus.) A beautiful large flower of perfect form. Color soft orange scarlet marked with pure white, one of the best of the cactus varieties. \$1.00 each.....	3	<b>FRANCIS LOBELY.</b> (Hybrid Cactus.) Mallow pink, shading to white in the center. A very stiff stem and with low growing habit. Wonderful free bloomer. Flowers large and of perfect form, keeps the center to the last. \$2.00 each.....	3
<b>COMSTOCK.</b> (Decorative.) Pure yellow. A large fine flower of good substance. Stems long and wiry. \$1.00 each.....	4	<b>F. M. CRAIG</b> (Davis.) (Decorative.) A large perfect flower of charming canary yellow, held erect on long stiff stems A good cut flower variety. 50c each.....	4
<b>CHAMPAGNE.</b> (Decorative.) An exceptionally fine large flower borne on strong erect stems. Orange buff, suffused with a shading of pink. A superb dahlia. Attractive to all. \$3.00 each.....	5	<b>F. W. FELLOWS.</b> (Cactus.) This beautiful orange cactus is one of the best grown. Very large blooms, perfect form for exhibiting. Its color is most attractive. One of the best for cut flowers. 50c each.....	4
<b>CHARM.</b> (Show.) One of the most admired dahlias. The color is a most pleasing combination of burnt orange, shading to yellow. Very fine. \$1.00 each.....	4	<b>F. G. SCHIEFF.</b> (Decorative.) Immense flower, borne on extra long stems. Color, golden bronze shaded to orange red. A very attractive flower. 50c each.....	3
<b>CHIEF WASHAKEE (W).</b> (1925) (Decorative.) A large well formed flower borne on excellent stems which hold the flower well above the foliage. Color, a most intense red; a fine variety, 50c each.....	4	<b>GEO. W. GERO.</b> A seedling of the popular Grand Duke Alexis, which it resembles closely in form, only the flower is a little more densely quilled. A rank, healthy grower, producing a wealth of large perfectly formed flowers on long stems. Color, clear rich pink. A fine cutting variety. 50c each.....	5
<b>CHIPETA (W).</b> (Cactus.) A mammoth flower borne on very long stems which hold the flower erect. Rich amaranth red. A pleasing color. Flowers 5 to 7 inches in diameter. 50c each.....	4		

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| <b>GOLDEN BEDDER.</b> (Decorative Golden West.) A lovely clear yellow, very full and perfect in form. Stems long and erect, rendering it an excellent cutting variety. 50c each.....  | 4                         |
| <b>GEORGIA BOND (W).</b> (1925) A new decorative for 1925. Georgia Bond produces very large, well formed flowers on exceptionally long, wiry stems; color a soft clear lavender; an early and free bloomer. A very satisfactory variety and one sure to become popular \$1.00 each.....   | 4                         |
| <b>GLADYS SHERWOOD</b> (Broomall.) A giant hybrid cactus; flowers may be grown to a diameter of ten inches or over. Color pure white; stems rather below average length. \$1.00 each....  | 4                         |
| <b>GOLDEN WEST.</b> (Cactus.) A superb flower of exceptional size, often 7 inches across. Stems long and rigid, holding the flower to full view. Color, golden yellow shaded to pure yellow in center. Has no superior. 50c each.....   | 4                         |
| <b>GLEN EYRIE (W).</b> (Hybrid Cactus.) (1926) Plant dwarf in habit with many side branches. Flowers medium to large; stems very long and erect. Color, clear canary yellow. A fine new variety. \$2.50 each.....   | 3                         |
| <b>GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY.</b> (Show.) A fine bold flower produced on very long stems. Flowers very large and of good substance. Color, rich old gold. 50c each.....  | 4                         |
| <b>GEORGE WALTERS.</b> (Hybrid Cactus.) One of the largest of all Dahlias; measures from 7 to 9 inches without disbudding. Stems very long and wiry. Color, salmon pink, shaded to old gold. One of the best Dahlias grown. Will pass in either cactus or decorative class. \$1.00 each.....  | 3                         |
| <b>HELEN DURNBAUGH.</b> (Hybrid Cactus.) One of the most beautiful Dahlias. Blush pink shading to white. Good strong stems and excellent keeper when cut. \$1.00 each.....  | 4                         |
| <b>JUSTICE BAILEY (W).</b> (Hybrid Cactus.) Very large and regular form of dwarf; bushy growth. Color, rich glowing pink, shaded lighter towards the center. A full, perfect form. 50c each.....  | 3                         |
| <b>JOHN LEWIS CHILDS.</b> (Decorative.) A fancy variegated dahlia. Deep yellow streaked with brilliant scarlet and tipped white. Medium size. Attractive. \$1.00 each.....  | 4                         |
| <b>KALIF.</b> (Hybrid Cactus.) A truly majestic flower, frequently measuring over 9 inches in diameter, of perfect form; in color a pure scarlet. The habit of the plant is all that can be desired. The gigantic flowers, which are produced very freely, are held erect on strong, stiff stems, making it a most effective and useful variety for cutting as well as for garden decoration. 50c each..... | 4                         |
| <b>KITTIE DUNLAP.</b> (Decorative.) A large flower carried on excellent stems; an early and constant bloomer. Color carmine rose, shaded deeper. \$1.50 each.....   | 3                         |
| <b>LAURINE.</b> (Broomall.) An immense cactus dahlia. It has fine stems and good habit throughout. Flowers are very large and perfect in their formation. Deep rich pink, a fine variety. \$1.50 each.....  | 3                         |
| <b>LIBERTY BOND.</b> (Broomall.) A fine large flower, decorative in form. Extra strong, erect stems and flowers of great substance. By disbudding this variety will produce flowers of immense size. Color clear buff or rich apricot. A noble flower. \$1.00 each.....   | 4                         |
| <b>LA FAVORITA.</b> (Hybrid Cactus.) A splendid new hybrid cactus variety, unexcelled in form and flowering qualities; distinct in color. Brilliant salmon shading to reddish salmon. Highly recommended. 50c each.....   | 4                         |
| <b>MRS. WM. PELZ.</b> (Decorative.) Metallic bronze foliage. Quite distinctive. Flowers on long stem. Color, light salmon rose. Flower medium size. An excellent variety for cutting. 50c each.....   | 3                         |
| <b>MELROSE.</b> Originated by R. T. Davis, Jr. Introduced 1923. A large, well-formed flower on long, wiry stems, throwing the flower well above the foliage. As a cut flower it is a splendid keeper. Color, bright lilac pink. An early, free and constant bloomer, worthy a place in all collections. (Decorative.) \$1.00 each.....  | 5                         |
| <b>MRS. W. E. ESTES.</b> (Hybrid Cactus.) One of the finest of all white Dahlias. Blooms immense in size and borne on very long stems. Color, the purest of whites. A tall grower. \$1.00 each.....   | 6                         |
| <b>MONS. LE NORMAND.</b> (Decorative.) A very large, bold flower, borne on good stems. Color, yellow, heavily streaked with red; sometimes solid red or even showing white tips. A fine variety. 50c each.....  | 4                         |
| <b>MABEL THATCHER.</b> (Decorative.) Sulphur yellow. A very fine large flower on excellent stems. One of the best of the yellows. \$1.00 each....   | 3                         |
| <b>MRS. C. D. ANDERSON.</b> (Show.) A new New Jersey dahlia far above the average show type. Stems long and wiry. Flowers large and almost round in form. Color, rich clear purple. An early and very prolific bloomer. 50c each.....   | 4                         |
| <b>MAVIS (W).</b> (Decorative.) An early and exceptionally free bloomer through the season. Plant is dwarf and bushy in growth with numerous stems. Flowers have good stems, holding the flowers erect. Color clear apricot or golden yellow. \$1.00 each.....  | 2½                        |
| <b>MONTE VISTA (W).</b> A large full flower of the hybrid cactus type. Stems long and erect, holding the flower in perfect position. A good cutting variety. Color, sulphur yellow. 50c each.....   | 4                         |
| <b>MRS. WARNAAR.</b> (Hybrid Cactus.) A mammoth hybrid cactus, often 9 inches in diameter. Creamy white with just a tinge of pink. One of the finest of the new Dahlias. 50c each.....  | 5                         |

- Ft. High,  
Approximate.
- MILLIONAIRE.** (Decorative.) An immense Dahlia and among the most popular of all the extra large Dahlias. Color, clear rich orchid, shading to almost pure white in the center. Attracts instant attention. Price \$1.00 each ..... 3
- MRS. CARL SALBACH.** (Decorative.) Extra large and of beautiful form and always full to the center. Stems are exceptionally long, holding the flower erect. Color, soft lavender-pink. Among the very best of recent introductions. 50c each..... 5
- MRS. I. DE VER WARNER.** (Decorative.) Large, perfect flowers of charming color; a deep mauve-pink, on stout stems. A good grower and free bloomer. Can be grown to a diameter of 11 inches. One of the best dahlias in cultivation. \$1.50 each ..... 4
- NANNIE B. MOORE.** One of the very best of the cactus varieties. A marvelous bloomer. Stems long and rigid. Flowers large and perfect. Color, clear lavender pink. Fine for cutting or yard decoration. 50c each ..... 3
- NINFEA.** (Davis) H. C. An early and profuse bloomer. Color, a soft lavender pink, shading to creamy white in center, its broad upturned petals greatly resembling a water-lily, from which it derives its name. A wonderful exhibition flower. \$1.50 each ..... 3
- NOBILIS.** (Decorative.) Combination of white and red. It differs from Earl Williams in that the white predominates. \$1.00 each..... 4
- NONPARIEL (W.).** (1926.) (Decorative.) Flowers medium in size. Excellent long erect stems. Plant a strong grower with spreading habit. Color, bright lavender pink. An excellent cutting variety. \$3.00 each.. 4
- POLAR BEAR.** (Show) White open petal flowers that have great keeping qualities; the center is well filled, but the type is different from the old style of compact flower. Long stem. 50c each ..... 5
- PAUL MICHAELS.** (Decorative.) Very large. A popular variety on the Pacific coast. Color, old gold or orange buff. Stems slightly pendant. \$1.00 each..... 3
- PIERROT.** (Cactus.) A striking novelty in color, form and wonderful size. Petals very long and narrow. Color, amber, but often with white tips. Fine either way. A superb garden variety. 50c each..... 4
- PRIDE OF CALIFORNIA.** (Decorative.) An extra large fine flower, borne on long stems. Very large and full vivid red. Exceptionally fine. 50c each..... 4
- PATRICK O'MARA.** (Decorative.) The flowers are borne on long, strong, erect stems. They are firmly set at right angles to the stems. The color is an unusually soft and pleasing shade of orange-buff, slightly tinged with rose. One of the most lasting cut-flower Dahlias. \$1.00 each..... 5
- Ft. High,  
Approximate.
- RUTH JACQUELINE.** (Davis Cactus, 1924.) A strong, robust plant throwing numerous side branches. Flowers large and perfect in form. Stems exceptionally long and strong. Color clear canary yellow. One of the very best of the yellows. \$2.00 each.. 3
- ROSA NELL.** (Decorative.) Mr. Broomall did the world a great service when he originated this hundred per cent Dahlia. The flower is immense; stem very long. Color, bright rose and with all a good keeper. Highly recommended. \$1.00 each..... 3
- STAR OF THE SEA.** (Davis.) (1924) In form the popular hybrid cactus. Strong and robust in growth. Color a soft, flesh pink with a silver sheen, a lovely variety. \$1.00 each.. 4
- SALLY BOVARD (W.).** (1925) (Decorative.) A lovely flower of medium size, held erect on long wiry stems. Bright rosy carmine. An excellent cutting variety. 50c each..... 4
- SCOTTISH CHIEF.** (Decorative.) Amber often tipped with white. Flowers medium size and of fine keeping qualities, borne on long stiff stems. A very tall grower. Should have the top pinched off when 12 inches high. 50c each ..... 6
- SUNNY CALIFORNIA.** (Decorative.) An attractive large flower with long, stiff stem. Old gold with darker shadings of orange red. A fine variety. \$2.50 each..... 5
- SEÑORITA.** (Decorative.) Dark velvety red on excellent stems. Plant dwarf and bushy. Flowers large and of good substance. \$1.00 each... 3
- THE DEVIL'S DREAM (W.).** (1925) (Decorative.) This odd name is proper for the unique coloring of this variety. A large bold flower produced on long, erect stems. Plant a strong, vigorous grower. Color, a combination of chocolate and fawn, streaked with bright red. A very odd yet pleasing combination. \$1.50 each ..... 4
- THEO. ROOSEVELT.** (Decorative.) A very large flower of perfect form. Stems long and erect. Color, clear bright scarlet. 50c each..... 5
- TOM LUNDY.** (Decorative.) A large bold flower, with good form and stem. Velvety red. \$1.00 each..... 4
- THE GRIZZLY.** (Decorative.) One of the very best novelties. A great dark velvety maroon beauty. Flowers of immense size are held high above the fine foliage on extra strong stems. This is a wonderful prize winning dahlia. \$1.00 each..... 6
- THE GNOME (W).** A massive flower densely quilled in petal formation. Color rich creamy yellow, faintly shaded lavender. Stems medium length but stout and erect. \$1.00 each ..... 3

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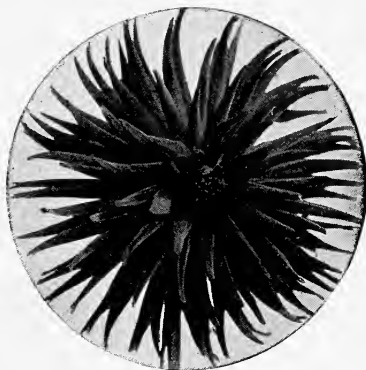
**UMATILLA (W).** (1925) A superb new dahlia of perfect form and a wonderfully free bloomer. Flowers are large and stems long and erect. Color Rich American Beauty red, clear and bright in tone. Highly recommended. \$1.00 each..... 4

Ft. High,  
Approximate.

**WASHINGTON CITY** (Hybrid Cactus)  
An immense white flower that has few, if any, equals. Flowers from 8 to 9 inches and of purest white. Stems long and erect. One of the best of varieties. \$1.00 each..... 3

## Standard Cactus Dahlias

Strong Tubers. Price, 25c each.



Cactus Dahlia

Ft. High,  
Approximate.

**ALABASTER.** Pure white. A small, finely formed flower. Fine for cutting ..... 3

**CHARLES CLAYTON (W).** Stems are long, holding the flowers well above the foliage. Color, a most intense red, so vivid as to dazzle the eye. Flowers are large in size and are produced freely ..... 4

**COUNTESS OF LONSDALE.** The freest flowering Cactus Dahlia in the collection, and perfect in form. Color, an exquisite shade of rich salmon, with just suspicion of apricot at the base of the petals..... 3

**DAINTY.** Rosy pink, shaded to pale lemon. Very good ..... 4

**EMILY RUSSEL.** Flowers very freely on excellent stems. A good cutting variety. Color, American Beauty red. A fine dahlia..... 3

**FLORADORA.** A marvel of productiveness and of exquisite form. Deep blood red; very early..... 3

**GENESTA.** Rich orange bronze. A fine autumn shade..... 3

**GEN. BULLER.** Cardinal with crimson shading. Each petal tipped with pinkish white. Stems long. An extra fine Dahlia..... 3

**KREIMHILDE.** Shell pink, shading to white in the center. A very popular cutting variety..... 4

Ft. High,  
Approximate.

**LAVENDER BEAUTY.** A clear, soft lavender shade. Petals deeply serrated ..... 4

**MRS. CHAS. TURNER.** Extra large, with long, pointed petals and perfect in form. Bright lemon yellow.. 3

**MRS. FERDINAND JEFFRIES (W).** In formation the flower is irregular; its long petals are curved and twisted, giving the flower a shaggy appearance. Color, deep velvety red.. 3

**MAGPIE.** A neat well formed variety with very long, narrow petals, claw like in appearance. Color wine red variegated with white and pink shading ..... 3

**MARION THOMPSON (W).** Pure lemon yellow. Flowers large and an exceptionally good keeper as a cut flower. Stems long and stiff. Early and free ..... 3

**MRS. H. J. JONES.** A beautiful Dahlia, with long, claw-like petals, curving forward. Color, bright, vivid red, tipped and edged with pure white. Sometimes solid red.... 5

**PINK PEARL.** Mallow pink at the base of the petals, shading off gradually at the tips, the effect being a soft, rosy pink. Fine for cutting ..... 3

**PERLE DE LYON.** A large cactus. Petals cleft at the tip. Pure white flower and borne on good stems..... 3

**RHEINKONIG.** A fine white cactus. A robust, healthy grower, producing flowers of pure snowy white..... 4

**STANDARD BEARER.** Rich fiery scarlet, one of the very best..... 3

**UNCLE TOM.** Dark maroon, almost approaching black. Fine shaped flower with good stem..... 3

**VELVET QUEEN (W).** Dark rich red of perfect form. Stems long and wiry. A profuse and constant bloomer. A fine variety..... 4

**ZEPHYR.** A light feathery cactus form of unique coloring, rosy pink, shading to heliotrope..... 3

## Show and Fancy Dahlias

Strong Tubers. Price, 25c each.



Show Dahlia

Ft. High,  
Approximate.

- A. L. CHASE (W).** Creamy white, streaked with purple; sometimes solid purple ..... 3
- A. D. LIVONI.** Rich pink, finely formed. A very handsome flower.... 3
- ARABELLA.** Pale lemon, shading to primrose at the tips..... 3
- BON TON (W).** A fine ball-shaped flower of deep garnet red. An extra fine Dahlia ..... 4
- BERTHA BERNSTEIN.** (Originated by Geo. W. Gero.) Petals beautifully quilled on the order of the well-known Grand Duke Alexis. Stems long and rigid. Color, dark lavender. In the twilight hours giving a decided blue shading..... 4
- DR. I. B. PERKINS (W).** An ideal white show Dahlia. Its large, pure white flowers are borne on very long stems which hold the flower free above the foliage. Excellent for both cutting and garden decorations ..... 5
- DEE LIGHTED.** Very large, pure white combining many good qualities. A strong, erect grower, producing immense pure white flowers in abundance. A first-class white.... 4
- DREER'S WHITE.** Pure white, resembling in form the popular Grand Duke Alexis ..... 4
- D. M. MOORE.** A flower of mammoth size, produced in profusion on long, stiff stems. Its color is a deep velvety maroon. It has no equal in its color ..... 3
- FIRESTONE (W).** An ideal cutting variety. Stems long and rigid. A large, bold flower. Blooms freely and keeps well after cutting. Vivid clear red ..... 4
- FIRE BALL (W).** A most intense dark red, with long stem..... 4
- GLORI DE LYON.** Pure white. One of the largest white show Dahlias in cultivation; round as a ball..... 3
- GOLDEN SPRAY (W).** Large flowers borne on long stems and produced in profusion. Bright golden yellow. A superb variety for cutting..... 4
- LA FRANCE.** Brilliant rose-pink, similar to the rose with the same name. Flowers are gigantic, loosely built and resemble in shape a large double peony ..... 4
- LA GRAND MANITOU.** (Decorative.) An immense flower. Color, purple streaked and mottled with crimson. Sometimes solid purple. Very attractive ..... 3
- MRS. BAGGE.** A beautiful Dahlia in both form and color. A pleasing old rose color. Flowers are large and full, and stems long and erect..... 3
- MOROCCO.** Large, well-formed blooms. Dark maroon, often tipped with white. Fine ..... 4
- MANZANITA (W).** Clear, rich lavender. Stems are long and rigid, making it an exceptionally good variety for cutting..... 4
- ORA DOW.** An early and very free bloomer. Purple tipped white..... 4
- PURPLE GEM (W).** Rich royal purple, clear and constant. This variety is a decided improvement over the old varieties. A first-class flower ..... 4
- QUEEN OF YELLOWS.** Fine clear yellow. An early and very prolific bloomer ..... 3
- ROBT. BROOMFIELD.** Pure white, of excellent form. Highly recommended ..... 4
- STRADELLA.** Large purple flower, rounded and full..... 4
- SNOWBALL.** A pure white flower. An ideal as a cutting variety. Stems are long and rigid. Flowers keep well after cutting. An early and profuse bloomer ..... 4
- VERA CURRY.** A giant flower borne on very long, erect stems, cream pink. A very effective combination of color. It has no superior in its class ..... 3
- VIVIAN.** An exquisite flower of perfect form and long stem. A combination of pink and violet-rose. An attractive variety ..... 3
- VICTORY (Kaiser Wilhelm).** Of immense size and perfect form. Deep yellow, tipped and shaded with cherry red ..... 4
- W. W. RAWSON.** An exceptionally fine flower, produced on long stems. Color, pure white, overlaid with delicate lavender. Similar to the popular Grand Duke Alexis, but a better bloomer ..... 4

# Standard Decorative Dahlias

Strong Tubers. Price 25c each.



Decorative Dahlia

Ft. High,  
Approximate.

**BERCH VON HEEMSTEDE.** An extra fine Dahlia of large size, fine form, good stem, and excellent keeping qualities. An early and profuse bloomer. Color, clear, rich yellow..... 4

**CORONA (W).** (The Carnation Dahlia.) A miniature decorative form, fully double and of the purest white. Its wonderful freedom of bloom, pure color and chaste form place it at once at the head of the list as a florist's flower. At a little distance it would be pronounced a carnation, which it resembles both in size and form ..... 3

**DELICE.** Its beautiful, soft, yet lively color, a glowing rose-pink, together with its perfect shape, stout, stiff stems, which hold the flowers well above the foliage, and the fact that when cut it retains its freshness longer than any variety, makes this one of the most valuable for cutting and one of the most decorative sorts in the garden..... 4

**ELEANOR STISSER (W).** Flowers are very large and full. A sturdy grower with long stems. Color, buff shading to pink and old rose. A pleasing autumn shade..... 5

**EUGENE TEELE (W).** A very fine deep scarlet, produced on long stems; valuable for cutting..... 5

**FLAMINGO.** An ideal variety for cutting by reason of its fine stems and clear, rich color. Bright shell pink.... 3

**GOLDEN SUN (W).** A large flower, golden yellow, shaded lighter in the center ..... 4

**J. B. SETH.** A brilliant scarlet, has excellent stems. An early and constant bloomer ..... 4

**JACK ROSE.** Brilliant crimson-red, rich and glowing similar in shade to the popular Jack Rose, which suggested its name..... 4

**LYNDHURST.** Scarlet or vermillion. A noble flower..... 4

Ft. High,  
Approximate.

**MANITOU (W).** Immense size—often eight inches in diameter. The color is pleasing, amber bronze with a distinct shading of pink. Not suitable for cutting, as the flower is too large and the stems rather short..... 4

**MEADOW GOLD (W).** Flowers very large, borne on extra long stems, 18 to 24 inches. Colors, primrose yellow, faintly tinged with delicate pink, changing to lemon yellow late in the season..... 5

**MRS. THOS. BURCH (W).** Rich old gold, sometimes marked with pink, shading to fawn. An ideal autumn shade and one of the very best of the autumn tinted varieties. Flowers full size, stems long and rigid, fine for cutting ..... 4

**MINA BURGLE.** A very free flowering variety. Flowers extra large and clear in color. Popular as a cutting variety. Dark vivid red, produced on good stems..... 4

**MRS. WINTERS (W).** This superb white Dahlia is now so generally and favorably known that an extensive description is not necessary..... 3

**MOONBEAM (W).** Large flower borne on excellent stems. Color, clear canary yellow. One of the very best of the light yellows. Blooms very freely and an excellent keeper when cut..... 3

**MONTEZUMA (W).** An exceptionally fine flower, borne on long stems. Color, orange bronze; flowers large and full. A fine variety for autumn decoration ..... 5

**MAID OF KENT.** Intense scarlet, variegated with pure white; frequently a solid scarlet..... 4

**MRS. HARTONG.** Very large and exquisite form. Color, light fawn, suffused with pink. Very handsome 5

**PURPLE MANITOU.** Extra large, clear purple. A sport from the popular La Grand Manitou; one of the best clear purples..... 3

**PRINCESS JULIANA.** The white Delice. A superb white Dahlia; in form much like Delice, but longer in stem and freer in bloom. Very good.. 4

**PINK JACK ROSE.** Similar to the well known Jack Rose, only the color is pink.

**QUEEN MARY.** This is a stronger grower than Delice. A large flower with full, rounded center. The color is a soft shade of pink..... 4

**RIESE VON STUTTGART.** A gigantic flower. Deep purple red, very attractive. Robust in habit..... 5

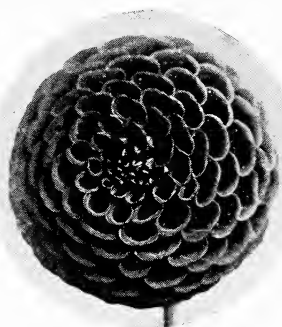
**STARLIGHT (W).** Flowers are uniform in size and color and produce in great profusion. Color, each petal carries two and some four stripes of red on a white ground..... 4

**SYLVIA.** Soft pink with lighter center. Long stiff stems. A profuse bloomer, fine for cutting..... 4

**SOUVENIR DOUZON.** An immense flower with broad, flat petals and full to the center. This one is undoubtedly the largest red in the decorative section ..... 4

## Pompon List

Price, 25c each.



Pompon Dahlia

	Ft. High, Approximate.
<b>ARIEL.</b> Deep orange buff.....	3
<b>ACHILLES.</b> Delicate lavender, tinted lilac .....	3
<b>BELLE OF SPRINGFIELD.</b> Probably the smaller of the pompons; vivid red. A little beauty.....	2
<b>BACCHUS.</b> Clear, bright red, rounded and full.....	3
<b>CATHERINE.</b> Bright yellow. Good form and stem.....	3
<b>CLARA HARSH.</b> Perfect blooms of yellow; tipped with crimson.....	3
<b>DARKNESS.</b> Very dark maroon. Extra fine .....	3
<b>HEDWIG POLWIZ.</b> Very free. Color red and white.....	3
<b>ISABEL.</b> Vivid scarlet.....	4
<b>KLEINE METEOR.</b> Orange red.....	3
<b>LITTLE BEAUTY.</b> Pale pink.....	3
<b>LITTLE JENNIE.</b> Straw color. None prettier than this one.....	3
<b>MADELINE.</b> Pale primrose edged with rose-purple. Very free flowering .....	3
<b>PRINCE CHARMING.</b> Lavender shades, touched with violet.....	3
<b>PURITY.</b> Pure white, well rounded and full. A prolific bloomer.....	3
<b>PURE LOVE.</b> Beautiful lilac.....	4
<b>PHOEBE.</b> Orange red.....	3
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Price, 25c each.

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## Gladiolus

Among the summer flowering bulbs the Gladiolus has few, if any, equals. They are easily satisfied, both as to soil and location, doing well in beds, rows or interspersed among small shrubbery. Good cultivation is desired, but heavy fertilizing should be avoided.

The Gladiolus has no superior as a cut flower. If cut when the first bud is half open, the spike will continue to open its flowers to the last bud. Water in the vase should be changed daily. Some varieties show even better color and habit when so treated. If planted at intervals of three weeks up to June 20th, flowers may be had from early summer to frost, or the blooming period may be prolonged greatly by planting varied sized corms (bulbs). Corms as small as the diameter of a penny will produce fine spikes of bloom if planted early. For late planting only the larger sized corms should be used.

The following groups represent the best of both new and old varieties. These are so arranged as to give a good range of color in each group. May be ordered in sets by group number.

### GROUP NO. 1.

7c each; 6 for 40c; 75c per doz.,

\$5.00 per 100

**AMERICA.** Soft flesh pink. Extra fine.

**AUGUSTA.** White lavender anthus. long spikes.

**GRETCHEN ZANG.** Fine lively pink.

**HALLEY.** Salmon pink (early).

**MRS. FRANCES KING.** Vivid scarlet. long spikes.

**PANAMA.** Pale pink. Extra large.

### GROUP NO. 2.

10c each; 6 for 50c; \$1.00 per doz.

**BARON HULOT.** Deep rich purple.

**EVELYN KIRTLAND.** Rose-pink, fading to shell-pink at center.

**LILY LEHMAN.** Pure white, tinged bluish.

**MRS. F. PENDLETON.** Light pink with dark throat.

**PEACE.** Pure white with violet marking in throat.

**SOUVENIR.** A new Prim type from Holland that has taken glad fans by storm. Not large, but the color is the best yellow to date.

### GROUP NO. 3

15c; 6 for 75c; \$1.50 per doz.

**E. J. SHAYLOR.** New. Pure, deep rose-pink, charmingly ruffled. Very tall, strong grower, blooming even from very small bulbs.

**L'IMMACULEE.** A new Holland variety of great merit. Pure white without tint or marking.

**MYRTLE.** Light pink, clear white throat.

**MRS. DR. NORTON.** Soft pink with yellow throat; large. Extra fine.

**PRINCE OF WALES.** Delicate salmon pink.

**RED EMPEROR.** A very large deep scarlet of immense size. A beauty.

### VARIETIES OF SPECIAL MERIT

**ALICE TIPLADY.** (Primulinus.) Most unusual and charming orange-saffron color. Each. 15c; doz., \$1.50.

**CARMEN SYLVA.** New. Splendid pure white. Each 15c; doz., \$1.50.

**DIANA.** Very good red, with nice spikes. 15c each; doz., \$1.50.

**ELIZABETH TABOR.** Early, light pink, with maroon blotch in throat. Tall, very early and many open at one time. 25c each; doz., \$2.50.

**JEWELL.** (Primulinus.) Light salmon pink with golden yellow throat; flowers large and wide, open slender, graceful spikes; very attractive. 25c each; doz., \$2.50.

**MAIDEN BLUSH.** Apple blossom pink. (Primulinus.) 15c each; doz., \$1.50.

**ODIN.** Dark salmon pink with crimson blotch in throat; very large flowers, good spikes. 15c each; doz., \$1.50.

### GLADIOLUS IN MIXTURE.

A choice collection of many colors in mixture, suitable for massing. 50c per doz.; \$3.50 per 100.

## Peonies

**NOT PREPAID BEYOND THE 4TH ZONE (600 MILES)**

Fall orders for Peonies cannot be filled before October 20th.



**Field of Peonies in Full Bloom**

Fine, hardy plants, rivaling the rose in perfection of bloom, color and fragrance. They are at home in any climate or soil, but thrive best in a deep, rich, well-drained loam. They make a gorgeous display planted in beds, on the lawn, or planted singly along the walk or herbaceous border. The Peony is perfectly hardy and generally able to care for itself, but it does not follow that they enjoy neglect. Give them ample room in which to grow, keeping them free from weeds and grass, and they will amply repay all the care given. A word to beginners: Use no fertilizer of any kind on newly set Peonies. Don't be alarmed when you see your newly set Peonies begin to turn brown in July and appear to be quite dead in August. This is natural. They will be on hand again in the spring.

The following varieties embrace a wide range of color and will be found very satisfactory.

**Price Prepaid to 4th Zone (600 Miles), 50c Each.**

Fall orders for Peonies cannot be filled before Oct. 20th

**DUKE OF WELLINGTON.** Ivory white with creamy white center. Very large.

**FESTIVA MAXIMA.** A rare variety of great beauty. Exceedingly showy and of large size. Pure snowy white, flaked with small crimson spots at center. Finest white in cultivation.

**GRANDIFLORA ALBA.** Large, pure white. Blooms late.

**HUMEL.** Rosy pink. Very large and full. Should be mulched heavily to bring its flowers to perfection.

**LADY LENORA BRAMWELL.** Very large and sweet. Silver rose.

**MAD. BREON.** Flesh and lemon, changing to white.

**MODEL DE PERFECTION.** Silver pink. Large and sweet.

**OFFICINALIS RUBRA.** (Old Red.) Flowers of a bright crimson, quite double and globular. Very early and fine. (Small plants only this year.)

**PRINCESS BEATRICE.** Pink gird petals, center creamy pink. Late bloomer.

**ROSEA SUPERBA.** Fine, full rosy pink. Extra choice flower. Very free and early bloomer.

**VICTORIA TRICOLOR.** Lilac rose, center light salmon.

## Hardy Herbaceous Plants

Fall orders for hardy plants cannot be filled before October 20th.  
For Permanent Planting in Garden, Borders, Cemetery Plots, Etc.



Bed of Alaska Daisies

### STRONG FIELD-GROWN PLANTS

No flower garden is complete without a collection of these most valuable plants. With a little care they may be selected so as to give a continuous supply of flowers from early spring to autumn frosts. They require far less care than the annuals of bedding plants, and may be used to good advantage to fill odd corners, along fences, and to screen unsightly objects. They are perfectly hardy, and yet for winter they should have a slight covering of leaves or other litter. Care should also be taken to prevent pools of water standing on them during winter. I will gladly make selections for those not familiar with hardy plants if they will inform me as to space to be filled.

Prices, except where noted, 15c each; \$1.50 per dozen, prepaid.

**ALASKA DAISIES.** (Burbanks.) Immense snow-white flowers, 4 inches in diameter. Blooms through the season. The best daisy grown. (See cut.) 20c each, \$2.00 per dozen.

**ASTERS.** (Michaelmas Daisies, or Starworts.) These are among the showiest of our late-flowering hardy plants, giving a wealth of bloom at a season when most other hardy flowers are past. I offer four colors only—blue, white, light lavender and pink.

**ASCLEPIAS TUBEROSA.** A familiar field flower; the cultivated form making a delightful show of orange flowers during early summer.

**BUDDLEIA—BUTTERFLY BUSH.** A shrub-like perennial, dying to the ground in winter. Produces quantities of spikes of lovely deep rosy lilac-like flowers with deep orange eye. Begins blooming in August and continues until frost. 50c each, doz., \$5.00.

**BLEEDING HEART.** (Dielytra Spectabilis.) A hardy perennial plant producing graceful sprays of heart-shaped pink and white flowers. 75c each; doz., \$7.50.

**BOLTONIA ASTEROIDES.** (False Camomile.) Aster-like flowers. Pure white and very showy. Grows to a height of four and five feet. One of the best hardy perennials.

**COREOPSIS LANCEOLATA.** A beautiful hardy border plant. Grows 30 inches high and produces its bright golden-yellow flowers in great profusion the entire season. It makes a handsome vase flower when cut, and should be grown in quantity whenever flowers are wanted for table decoration.

**CHINESE LANTERN.** An ornamental variety of the Winter Cherry, forming dense bushes about 2 feet high, producing freely its bright orange-scarlet lantern-like fruits; which, when cut, will last all winter. Very attractive plant. 25c each; doz., \$2.50.

**CHRYSANTHEMUMS.** (Hardy.) This well known garden flower we have in four colors, red, white, pink and yellow. 25c each; doz., \$2.50.

**FERNS.** (Hardy.) These ferns are extremely hardy and will grow in a shady place where as a rule other flowers will not thrive. 50c each; doz., \$5.00.

**GOLDEN GLOW.** Rudbeckia. The plant is compact, growing 6 to 8 feet high, producing numerous stems which are laden with double golden-yellow flowers.

**GYPSOPHILA PANICULATA.** (Baby's Breath.) A beautiful perennial. When in bloom it forms a symmetrical mass 2 to 3 feet in height, of minute, pure white flowers, forming a beautiful gauze-like appearance. For cutting purposes it is exquisite, especially in combination with high-colored flowers.

**GYPSOPHILA FL. FL.** A double form of the above. Blooms two weeks later. Each floret is double. The most valuable introduction in recent years. Price, 60c each.

**GAILLARDIA.** (Grandiflora.) Beginning to flower in June, they continue one mass of bloom the entire summer. Flowers three inches in diameter. Center dark reddish-brown. Petals vary from scarlet-orange to crimson.

**GOLDENROD.** (Golden Wings.) A strong growing plant, producing rich golden yellow bloom in July and August.

**HOLLYHOCKS.** (Double Strong Field Roots.) As a background in large borders or beds of the lower herbaceous plants, there is nothing better. For planting in rows or groups on the lawn, or interspersing among the shrubbery, they are invaluable. The flowers, which are as elegant in shape as a Camellia, form perfect rosettes of the most lovely shades. Separate colors—**Buff.** White, Yellow, Maroon, Red, Pink, Black.

**HARDY PINKS.** (Dianthus Chinen-sis.) This old-time favorite is well deserving of a place in every garden. They occupy but little space, and yet produce a profusion of richly hued flowers of delightful fragrance. Mixed colors.

**HARDY PINKS.** (Grass or Clover Pink.) The old-fashioned border pink. Delightfully fragrant. Popular in all border work. Many colors mixed.

**HEMEROCALLIS.** (Lemon Lily.) A most useful variety, growing about two feet high, with clusters of lily-like flowers of a rich yellow; very sweet.

**HELENIUM.** A fine late blooming plant, producing flowers of various colors of yellow and bronze, with brown center. Continues in bloom after severe frost.

**HBISCUS.** (Crimson Eye.) An immense white flower with a crimson eye. Perfectly hardy. Blooms freely from midsummer until killed by frost.

**IRIS.** (Germanica.) Large flowering varieties. Excellent for either borders or massing. I carry the following colors: Blue, Creamy White, Purple and White, Bronze, Lavender, Orange, Yellow, Bronze Purple, Pink.

**IRIS PALLIDA DALMATICA.** The finest of the German Iris, growing in good soil to a height of 4 feet. Massive flowers of clear, rich lavender, delightfully fragrant.

**IRIS SIBERICA.** Deep blue, slender, graceful stems. A fine cutting variety.

**LUPINUS.** Effective plants producing fine spikes of flowers in June and July; very hardy; blue predominating.

**LARKSPUR.** Belladonna, the best of all Larkspurs, blooms from June to frost. Clear turquoise blue. After first blooms are off, it should be cut back so it will bloom again. Rich soil. 25c each. \$2.50 per dozen.

**LARKSPUR BELLAMOSA.** Dark blue of the type of Belladonna. 25c each; doz., \$2.50.

**LYSIMACHIA.** (Loose-strife.) A fine hardy plant, about two feet high, with long, dense recurved spikes of pure white flowers, from July to September.

**ORIENTAL POPPY.** This poppy is perfectly hardy. Its large, orange-scarlet flowers make it one of the most showy of all plants.

**PHYSOSTEGIA.** (False Dragon Hood.) Soft pink forming dense bushes 3 to 4 feet high, bearing spikes of delicate pink flowers.

**SWEET WILLIAM.** Too well known to require description. A general favorite with all. Mixed colors only.

**SPIREA FILIPENDULA.** (Double Drop Wort.) A very hardy plant, with fern-like foliage, throwing up numerous flower stems, literally covered with miniature double white flowers. Very graceful.

**TIGER LILY.** A double form of this old garden favorite.

**TRITOMA PFITZERI.** (Red Hot Poker.) Flowers in tall dense spike of bright red; slender, trumpet-like flowers 50c each; doz., \$5.00.

**VERONICA—SPEEDWELL.** (V. Longifolia Subsessilis.) One of the handsomest blue flowering plants. Perfectly hardy and increases in strength and beauty each year. Spikes completely studded with beautiful blue flowers, fine for cutting and one of the best plants for hardy border. 2-year old clumps, 50c; doz., \$5.00.

**VALERIANA OFFICINALIS.** (Hardy Heliotrope.) A tall variety, producing fine heads of pale pink flowers in June and July, with a strong heliotrope odor. A fine plant.

## Hardy Phloxes

Among the hardy perennial plants, no class is of more importance than the Phloxes. They are of the easiest culture, flowering well in almost any soil or location. They embrace a wide range of color and produce a wealth of flowers from early summer until late in the fall. For the best results the clump should be divided and reset after the third year. The following list contains the most desirable colors:

**Price, 20c each; \$2.00 per doz.**

**ALCIDES.** Light crimson. Bright red eye. Large floret blooming late.

**BRIDE'S MAID.** Pure white with large crimson eye. Fine.

**BERANGER.** White, delicately suffused with rosy pink.

**CREPUSCULE.** (Twilight.) Pale ground shaded violet, carmine eye; very large.

**COUQUELICOT.** Pure scarlet with deeper eye. Best of the scarlets.

**EDMOND ROSTAND.** Reddish violet, large, white star-shaped center.

**ECLIPSE.** Dark purple red.

**LAVENDER.** Pure lavender. A late bloomer.

**LOIS RICHIE.** Extra large, reaching beyond the diameter of a silver dollar. Massive heads. Pure white, bright red eye.

**MRS. JENKINS.** An early flowering pure white, forming an immense panicle. One of the best.

**NEDRA.** Soft, bright pink with crimson eye. Florets and trusses large. A fine novelty.

**PEACH BLOW.** Delicate pink with violet eye. Large fine trusses.

**PROFESSOR SCHLIEMAN.** Pure mauve, crimson-carmine eye.

**PEARL.** Pure white. Tall grower.

**PANTHEON.** Clear pink with dark eye.

**QUEEN OF PINKS.** A large flower, clear rich pink, blooms late when most of the others are gone.

**RIVERTON JEWEL.** Light rose pink with deep pink eye.

**ROYAL PURPLE.** A new introduction. Flowers large; deep rich purple.

**R. P. STRUTHERS.** Rosy carmine with claret-red eye. One of the best Phlox in cultivation.

## Hardy Vines

**NOTE**—Articles in this department are **not prepaid beyond the fourth zone (600 miles)** unless the order amounts to \$2.00 or over.

**AMPELOPSIS ENGELMANNI.** A rapid growing vine clinging tightly to brick, stone or stucco walls and climbing to a great height. It is a very hardy vine, and rarely shows winter injury even in the far north. Two year old plants, 50c each.

**AMPELOPSIS QUINQUIFOLIA.** (Virginia Creeper, or American Ivy.) This well-known climber is one of the best for covering trees, trellises, arbors, etc.; its large, deep green foliage assumes brilliant shades of yellow, crimson and scarlet in the fall. Strong plants, 15c; \$1.50 per dozen; 2 year old 25c, \$2.50 per dozen.

**CLEMATIS PANICULATA.** (Sweet-scented Japan Clematis.) The flowers are of medium size, fragrant, pure white, borne in immense sheets in September. Should be provided with a trellis or something to climb as soon as it starts its growth. (Clematis should not be set where the drip from the eaves falls upon it.) 35c each; extra strong, 50c.

**CINNAMON VINE.** Well-known hardy climber; quick grower, with beautiful glossy heart-shaped leaves and sweet-scented flowers. Vines will run 25 to 40 feet in a season. 15c each; doz. \$1.50.

**SWEET PEA.** (Hardy.) These perennial peas are extremely hardy and produce a wealth of bloom during June. Clings to trellis, etc. Colors, red, white and pink. 25c each; doz., \$2.50.

### HONEYSUCKLE

**SCARLET TRUMPET.** A rapid-growing vine with clusters of trumpet-shaped scarlet flowers, very hardy. One year old, 50c; two years old, 75c.

### HEDGE PLANTS

**AMOR RIVER PRIVET.** The hardiest of all and one of the finest for ornamental hedges. It holds its leaves until severely cold weather arrives. Neatly trimmed, it excels all hedge shrubs. Strong plants, \$3.50 per doz.; 25 for \$6.00; \$20.00 per \$100.

## Have You Any Bugs?

Fortunately the dahlia is comparatively free from insect pests. Yet there are some pests that make serious trouble for the dahlia grower, more especially in dry, hot weather. Some years there are scarcely any insects to cause trouble, at others they are nation-wide.

Among the more common pests might be mentioned Thrips, Tarnish Plant Bug, Red Spider, and Aphis. Space forbids a full treatise. In brief these symptoms appear.

**Thrip**—A check in the growth of the plant when about 8-12 inches high, with curled and crinkled leaves.


**Tarnish Plant Bug**—Failure to bloom, stunted growth at the tip of the branches, small warty bumps on the stems.

**Red Spider**—Brown and dead leaves at the base of the stalk (remove the leaves and burn them).

**Aphis**—Easily seen in colonies on the upper branches in mid or late summer. Much easier detected than some of the other pests, especially the tiny thrip.

All of these and many others are amendable to the various nicotine preparations or tobacco dust which are obtainable of practically all seed dealers, together with atomizers, bellows and pumps for applying the remedies. Don't wait until serious damage is done. Get after the bugs at once. A splendid idea is to give the plants a good spraying or dusting when 8 inches high, whether they appear to be infested or not.

# How to Grow and Care for Dahlias

**I**F possible, plant in an open, sunny situation. Prepare the soil thoroughly by deep digging. Be moderate in the use of both manure and water. Never plant when the soil is wet. Lay the tuber flat on its side and cover it four inches deep, pressing the soil firmly on the tuber.  Keep the soil loose and mellow by frequent hoeing, drawing the soil to a slight hillock around the plant.

Tall growing varieties may be kept fairly dwarf by pinching out the tip when the first shoot is six inches high. All varieties growing above four feet should be tied to stout stakes to hold them in position.

3x3 feet is about the proper distance to plant apart.

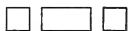
Keep all dead flowers trimmed off.

Dahlia blooms keep much better if cut in the evening—about sunset—and the less foliage taken off with the flowers, the better for both plant and flower. If green is desired, use some other green of better keeping qualities.

After frost has killed the tops, dig the tubers carefully, remove the soil from the roots, and store away in a box or barrel secure from frost. As a precaution it would be well to cover the tubers so stored with sand, leaves or moss.

All clumps should be divided into several pieces before being reset the following spring.

—Extracts from Wilmore's Dahlia Manual.



## Why Dealers Do Not Guarantee Plants

**T**HIS question is often asked, and yet it is a very easy one answered and the reasonableness of the answer is clearly apparent to all. To guarantee the life of a plant in the hands of another person is to make the dealer responsible for the errors and inexperience of others, not to mention freaks of weather and unfavorable seasons, cut worms, insects, bad soil, unfavorable locations and many other conditions, over which the dealer has no control. Then, again, there are customers who buy plants so late in the season that there can be but little hope of success. Most dealers are ready and willing to make good plants that are dead upon arrival, but it would be unreasonable to ask them to become responsible for the future life or conduct of a plant received in good condition. Fortunately the percentage of loss in hardy plants is small, as they are very tenacious of life.

W. W. WILMORE, Denver, Colorado.